## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. 12. (canceled)
- (currently amended) A packaging container made of plastic film, the packaging container comprising:

a strap handle arranged within a contour of the container;

a container wall made of plastic film:

wherein the container wall has an inner side and the strap handle is arranged on the inner side:

wherein the container wall has an access opening through which access opening the strap handle is accessible from an exterior of the container;

a support patch made of plastic film and connected <u>with a first face</u> to <u>the inner side of</u> the container wall;

wherein the strap handle is comprised of ends that are glued or attached by a heat seal seam to the first face of the support patch and further comprised of a handle loop part extending between the ends and resting flat without being folded on the support patch;

wherein the access opening is closed off relative to an interior of the container by the support patch <u>and the interior remains sealed by the support patch when</u> the strap handle is in use.

- 14. (canceled)
- 15. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, wherein the support patch has outer edges connected continuously to the inner side of the container wall.
- 16. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, wherein a contour of the access opening is prepared by a perforation line and the access opening is releasable by tearing open a wall area of the container wall surrounded by the perforation line.
- 17. (previously presented) The container according to claim 16, wherein a grip opening for facilitating gripping of the wall area to be torn off is provided.
- 18. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, wherein the container wall is comprised of a composite film comprising an inner layer comprised of

heat-sealable thermoplastic plastic material and comprising an outer layer comprised of polyester.

- 19. (previously presented) The container according to claim 18, wherein the polyester is PET (polyethylene terephthalate) and wherein the heat-sealable thermoplastic plastic material is polyethylene.
- 20. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, wherein the strap handle is comprised of a thermoplastic plastic film or a composite film that is made of thermoplastic plastic material and a polyester.
  - 21. (canceled)
  - 22. (canceled)
- 23. (currently amended) The Apackaging container according to claim 13, made of plastic film, the packaging container comprising:

a strap handle arranged within a contour of the container;

a container wall made of plastic film;

wherein the container wall has an inner side and the strap handle is arranged on the inner side;

wherein the container wall has an access opening through which access opening the strap handle is accessible from an exterior of the container:

a support patch made of plastic film and connected to the container wall; wherein the access opening is closed off relative to an interior of the

container by the support patch:

- wherein the support patch is made of thermoplastic plastic film and wherein the strap handle is continuously glued to the support patch, wherein the strap handle has a handle loop part and wherein an adhesive force between the handle loop part and the support patch is greatly reduced by applying a release coating to the support patch in comparison to an adhesive force between ends of the strap handle and the support patch.
- 24. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, wherein the support patch is connected to an inner layer of the container wall by a heat seal seam.
- 25. (previously presented) The container according to claim 13, embodied as a bag having an upper end that is reclosable, wherein the strap handle is arranged near the upper end.

26. (previously presented) gussets and a stand-up bottom.

The container according to claim 25, having

27. (previously presented) gussets.

The container according to claim 25, having

28. (previously presented) stand-up bottom.

The container according to claim 25, having a